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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

DEMOS P. DEMOPOULOS, DANIEL J. GATTO, KENNETH BARRETT, WILLIAM CASSESE and JOHN A. CURCIO, as Trustees and Fiduciaries of the LOCAL 854 HEALTH & WELFARE BENEFITS FUND, and as Trustees and Fiduciaries of the LOCAL 854 PENSION FUND,

Plaintiffs,

-against-

DR. SAMEH H. AKNOUK DENTAL SERVICES, PC,

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U.S. DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
LONG ISLAND OFFICE

ORDER

18-CV-4813 (JMA) (AKT)

Defendant.	

AZRACK, United States District Judge:

Plaintiffs Trustees and Fiduciaries of the Local 854 Health and Welfare Benefits Fund and Local 854 Pension Fund commenced this action against Defendant Dr. Sameh H. Aknouk Dental Services, pursuant to Sections 502(a)(3) and 515 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, 29 U.S.C. §§ 1132(a)(3), 1145 ("ERISA"). On February 21, 2021, the parties filed cross-motions for summary judgment. (ECF Nos. 45, 48.) On May 25, 2021, I referred defendant's motion to Magistrate Judge A. Kathleen Tomlinson for a Report and Recommendation ("R&R"). (Electronic Order, May 25, 2021). On August 27, 2021, Judge Tomlinson issued an R&R recommending that the parties' cross-motions for summary judgment be denied. (ECF No. 51.)

In reviewing a magistrate judge's report and recommendation, the court must "make a <u>de novo</u> determination of those portions of the report or . . . recommendations to which objection[s][are] made." 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C); see also Brown v. Ebert, No. 05–CV–5579,

2006 WL 3851152, at *2 (S.D.N.Y. Dec. 29, 2006). The court "may accept, reject, or modify, in

whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge." 28 U.S.C. §

636(b)(1)(C). Those portions of a report and recommendation to which there is no specific

reasoned objection are reviewed for clear error. See Pall Corp. v. Entegris, Inc., 249 F.R.D. 48,

51 (E.D.N.Y. 2008).

To date, no objections have been filed to the R&R and the deadline for filing any such

objections has passed.

I have reviewed Judge Tomlinson's R&R for clear error, and finding none, I adopt the

R&R in its entirety as the opinion of this Court. Accordingly, the parties' cross-motions for

summary judgment are **DENIED**.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: September 15, 2021

Central Islip, New York

/s/ (JMA)

JOAN M. AZRACK

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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